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DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY AND PETITION

As above named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "TECHNIQUE FOR IMPROVING AUDIO CLARITY AND INTELLIGIBILITY AT REDUCED BIT RATES OVER A PACKET SWITCHING NETWORK" the specification of which

is attached hereto
 was filed on September 22, 2000 as Application Serial No. 09/669,069 and Figs. 1, 2, 3a, 3b, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of which are attached hereto

and was amended on _____ (*if applicable*).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) or U.S. provisional application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application or U.S. provisional application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application of which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign/U.S. Provisional Application(s)

			Priority Claimed	
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

And I hereby appoint MARYAM IMAM Reg. 38,190 of IMAM & ASSOCIATES, Two North Second St., Suite 1100, San Jose, CA 95113 (408) 271-8752, as my attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute said application and to transact in connection therewith all business in the Patent and Trademark Office and before competent International Authorities.

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Wherefore I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, and I hereby subscribe my name to the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

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